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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Hiroya KOBAYASHI, et al.) Confirmation No.: 9268
Application No.: 10/573,468) Group Art Unit: 2814
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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE)

Commission for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Customer Window, Mail Stop Amendment
Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In an Office Action dated August 21, 2008, the period for response to which extends through October 21, 2008, by the concurrently-filed petition for a one-month extension of time and corresponding fee payment, the Examiner required election under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between the claims of Species I (claims 1-2) allegedly drawn to “A semiconductor device having the wiring substrate is subject to a wettability property processing” and Species II (claims 3-5) allegedly drawn to “A semiconductor device comprising the wiring substrate has formed thereon first protrusions”.

Applicants hereby elect Species 1 (claims 1-2) for examination. Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1-2 read on the elected Species 1.

Applicants respectfully request formal examination of this application.

Applicants note that Species I is related to Figs. 1-3 showing that the wiring substrate is subject to wettability property processing by, for example, a silicone resin. Applicants also note that Species II (claims 3-5) is related to Figs. 4-8 showing protrusions. Applicants note that the end portion of paragraph [0050] of the specification of the instant application states that “[t]hat is, it can be said that protrusions 27 are formed as a wettability processing on wiring substrate...” If the Examiner does not agree with these assertions, then clarification of the Examiner’s position is respectfully requested to be provided in the next Office Communication.

Applicants respectfully assert that no additional fee is due in connection with the filing of this response. However, if there are any additional fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge those fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0573.

Respectfully submitted,

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